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Amend Claim 1 as follows:

- 1 (Amended) Archery equipment comprising in combination:
- 2 (a) a bow having a bowstring;
 - (b) an arrow having a shaft, said shaft including a rear end;
- 4 (c) a <u>segregable two part</u> nock for disengageably engaging said rear end <u>of said</u>

 5 <u>arrow</u> with said bowstring; and
 - (d) said two part nock including an insert attached to said rear end of said arrow, a receiver for engaging said bowstring and for remaining engaged with said bowstring after discharge of said arrow and at least a magnet [disconnect means] for disengageably engaging said insert with said receiver.

Amend Claim 2 as follows

2. (Amended) The archery equipment as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said <u>magnet</u> includes a pair of <u>magnets</u> [disconnect means includes magnetic means].

Amend Claim 3 as follows:

3. (Amended) The archery equipment as set forth in Claim 1 [2] wherein said [magnetic means includes a] magnet is secured to one of said insert and said receiver and including a

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magnetically responsive member secured to the other of said insert and said receiver.

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Amend	Claim 6	as	follows

(Amended) [The archery equipment as set forth in Claim 5 wherein said retention

means comprises] Archery equipment comprising in combination:

(a) a bow having a bowstring;

(b) an arrow having a shaft, said shaft including a rear end;

(c) a nock for disengageably engaging said rear end with said bowstring; and

(d) said nock including an insert attached to said rear end, a receiver for engaging said bowstring and disconnect means for disengageably engaging said insert with said receiver, said receiver including a notch for receiving said bowstring and a pin extending across said notch [.] for retaining said bowstring within said notch during discharge of said arrow to prevent disengagement of said receiver from said bowstring.

Amend Claim 7 as follows:

(Amended) The archery equipment as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said shaft of said arrow is tubular and wherein said insert includes a stud for penetrable engagement with said rear end of said arrow.

Amend Claim 8 as follows:

Amended) The archery equipment as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said shaft of said arrow is solid and wherein said insert includes a cavity for receiving said rear end of said arrow.

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Amend Claim 9 as follows:

- 9. (Amended) A nock for engaging the rear end of an arrow with a bowstring of a bow, said nock comprising in combination:
 - (a) an insert fixedly attached to the rear end of said arrow;
- 4 (b) a receiver for capturing the bowstring and maintaining the bowstring captured during discharge of the arrow from the bow; and
 - (c) at least a magnet [disconnect means] for disengageably engaging said insert with said receiver to maintain the arrow engaged with the bowstring prior to discharge of the arrow.

Amend Claim 11 as follows:

11. (Amended) The nock as set forth in Claim 9 wherein said <u>magnet is secured to one of said insert and said receiver and including a magnetically</u> [disconnect means includes magnetic means for disengageably engaging said insert with said receiver] <u>responsive member secured to the other of said insert and said receiver</u>.

Amend Claim 12 as follows:

12. (Amended) The nock as set forth in Claim 9 wherein said receiver includes a cavity for receiving a part of said insert and for locating said <u>magnet</u> [disconnect means] therein during engagement of said insert with said receiver.

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Amend Claim 13 as follows:

13. (Amended) The nock as set forth in Claim 9 [12] wherein said [disconnect means includes a] magnet is attached to said receiver [within said cavity] and including a further magnet [a plate] attached to an end of said insert [locatable within said cavity].

Amend Claim 15 as follows:

15. (Amended) The nock as set forth in Claim 9 [14] wherein said magnet is attached to [disconnect means includes magnetic means for disengageably engaging said insert with] said receiver and including a magnetically responsive element attached to said insert.

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Amend Claim 16 as follows:

16. (Amended) The nock as set forth in Claim 9 wherein the arrow includes a solid shaft and wherein said insert includes a cavity for receiving the rear end of the solid [tubular] shaft.

Amend Claim 17 as follows:

17. (Amended) The nock as set forth in Claim 16 wherein said <u>magnet is attached to one</u> of said receiver and said insert and including an element magnetically responsive to said <u>magnet</u>.

- 3 said element being attached to the other of said receiver and said insert [disconnect means
- 4 includes magnetic means for disengageably engaging said insert with said receiver].

Amend Claim 18 as follows:

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- 18. (Amended) A method for disengageably engaging an arrow with the bowstring of a bow and for discharging the arrow from the bow upon release of the drawn bowstring, said method comprising in combination:
 - (a) attaching an insert to the rear end of the shaft of the arrow;
- (b) capturing the bowstring with a receiver having a notch for retaining the
 bowstring to maintain the receiver in engagement with the bowstring during discharge of the
 arrow;
 - (c) maintaining a magnetic force to disengageably engage [engaging] the insert with the receiver to maintain the arrow attached to the bowstring as the bowstring is drawn back and upon release of the bowstring; and
 - (d) [disengaging] overcoming the magnetic force between the insert and [from] the receiver as a function of the momentum of the arrow when the drawn bowstring comes to its position of rest to release the arrow from the bowstring.